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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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& Co. 36 Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW YORK :- ANDREW WIND, 21, Park day of March, 1887. LISTS OF DRAWN SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports the Undersigned.

zonerally :- BEAN & BLACK, San Fran-AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :- GORDON & GOTOR, Melhistorne and Ardneys.

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Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO- \$ \$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-Hon. John Bell Inving. Deputy Chairman-W. H. Forbes, Esq. C. D. BOTTOMLEY, | Hon. A. P. McEWEN. S. C. MICHAELSEN, HAT BANKING CORPORATION on and after

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For 3 months, 3 per cent, per annum. 4 per cent. II 5 por cont. " LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Oredits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking an Exchange business transacted. Drafts granted on London, and chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager. Hongkong, January 25, 1888.

NOTIOE.

DULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK

1. The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and - Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hougkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year. -Depositors in the Savings' Bank having

\$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest. 4.—Interest at the rate of 3h per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on

their daily balances. 5. - Each Depositor will be supplied gratis. with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about

the beginning of January and begin-B .- Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked On Hangkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in

Hongkong and China. 7. - Withdrawals may be made on demand but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass Book

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. T. JACKSON.

Chief Manager. Hongkong, September 1, 1881.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TAR. M. GROTE has THIS DAY been IVI Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm. CHATER & VERNON. Hongkong, January 1, 1888.

NOTICE.

T HAVE This Day admitted to PARTNER SHIP Mr. G. D. SCOTT. The Firm will henceforth be known as 'LIGHTWOOD & SCOTT, SHARE and GENERAL BROKERS. HY. H. LIGHTWOOD.

lst March, 1838. THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON

WHARF AND GODOWN COM-PANY, LIMITED.

NTOTICE is hereby given that all Vessers DISCHARGING BOMBAY COT-TON and COTTON YARN at the Kow-LOON WHARYES WILL have FREE STORAGE for 14 days from arrival, after which a Rent. of 8 CERTS per bale per month will be Charged.

ISAAC HUGHES, Secretary

Hongkong, November 7, 1887.

Intimations.

CHINA MERCHANTS' STEAM NAVI GATION COMPANY'S DEBENTURE LOAN OF 1886.

INTEREST due and DRAWN BONDS I of this LOAN will be Payable at the BANKING CORPORATION on and after the 1st Boxus can be obtained on application to

For the HONOKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Agents Issuing the Loan,

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, February 29, 1888

ANDREW JOHNSTON, Consulting Engineer BANK BUILDINGS! QUEEN'S ROAD.

LANS and ESTIMATES prepared for LIGHT DRAUGHT STEAMERS, STEAM LAUNCHES, MARINE ENGINES and BOILERS, and all other kinds of MACHINERY A List of Steamers FOR SALE always on hand

The Address as above. Hongkong, January 4, 1888.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOOK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE DIVIDEND of 4 % or \$5 per BLACK, BROWN, DRAB and SHARE, for the Six Months ended 31st December, 1887, declared at To-day's Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be Payable at Tweed HATS and CAPS in the Premises of the Hongkong and Seand-

RANTS at the Company's OFFICE, No. 14, E. A. Soromon, Esq. Praya Central, Hongkong. By Order of the Board of Directors, D. GILLIES,

Hongkong, February 27, 1888.

NOTICE. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED. THEPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of

the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention. In the Event of Complaints being found necessary. Communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps

will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction. D. GILLIES,

Secretary. Hongkong, August 25, 1885.

NOTICE.

TERSONS having OLAIMS against the Undersigned are requested to send them in before the 10th Proximo.

H. G. THOMSETT. Hongkong, Pebruary 27, 1888

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE First Ordinary Annual MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 8th day of March next, at Noon, to receive the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1887. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd Instant to 8th Proximo, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board,

ISAAC HUGHES " Secretary.

Hongkong, February 18, 1888.



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

HE following telegram from the South AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT IS published or general information. By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART. Colonial Sceretary. COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Hongkong, 1st March, 1888.

1st March, 1888. GOVERNOR, Hongkong, South Australian Government have declared all Ports in China or Chinese Dependencies infected. Quarantine on vessels for Twenty-one Days after arrival will be required at Darwin except as regards persons not being Chinese arriving by vessels having no disease on board, who will be granted immediate pratique if not from Hongkong. Politax ten pounds per head will be imposed subject to Parliamentary sanction on all Chinese arriving in Northern Territory, who have left therefor after

> PARSONS, DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP. MODERATE FEES.

March first. Please advise British Consuls

and Chinese Authorities.

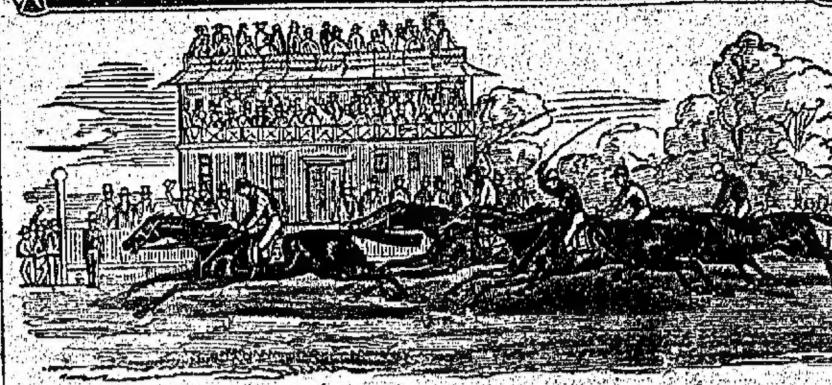
MR. WONG TAI-FONG, Surgeon Dentist. FORMERLY ARTICLED APPRENTICE AND LAT-TERLY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROGERS,)

A T the urgent request of his European A and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. Rocers. No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE. Discount to missionaries and families.

Sole Address 2, DUDDELL STREET. (Next to the New Oriental Bank.) Hongkong, January 12, 1885.

Business Notices.



HAVE NOW RECEIVED THEIR NEW STOCK OF FELT HATS AND RACE SCAEVES. SADDLERY

> RACING SUNDRIES, of all kinds. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, February 14, 1888.

MALL SILK HATS. DRAB FELT HATS. GREY HAND FEIT HATS. TERAL and other SOFT FELTS. STRAW and PITH HATS. SILK UMBRELLAS, from \$5, TUESDAY, the 28th Instant, and SHAREover 10 , to choose from. HOLDERS are requested to apply for WAR-WALKING STICKS, a very large assortment.

WATERPROOF COATS, LEG-GINGS and CHAIR APRONS. TRAVELLING RUGS & SCOTCH OVER COATINGS, light and OVER COATINGS, Ulster Tweeds.

Solid LEATHER PORTMAN-Fine Black DIAGONAL and CORRSUREW for Dress Suits. OVERLAND TRUNKS, GLAD-Black, Blue & Brown Fancy STONE BAGS, and a variety and Check DIAGONAL COATINGS.

Fancy and Check Tweed. TROUSEBLINGS, in a great variety of Stripes, Checks, Lamb's Woul, Merino and White DRESS SHIRTS. CRICKETING FLANNELS. Lacing & E. S. Boors and Checks, Stripes & Plain. French Printed SHILLINGS. Unahrinkable FLANNEL SHILLINGS. mer Under Vests and

PANTS.

of Travelling Cases, all will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently SILK 1-Hose, Black, Navy and Colours. Lisle Thread &-Hose.

SHOOLING BOOKS, RUBBER Winter, Medium and Sum- Putent Leather Boors and DANCING PUMPS, all sizes. Large Stock of SCARES, TIES, READY-MADE ULSTERS IN HANDKEROHIEFS, BRACES.

ROBT. LANG & Co. Hongkong, February 21, 1888.

DE JONG'S PURE SOLUBLE COCOA, THE 'ACME' OF ALL PURE COCOAS, MAKES THE MOST DELICIOUS

HOT OR COLD AND ICED COCOA AND CHOCOLATE.

R. HEHNER, the well-known Public Analyst, reports :- A Sample of De Jone's PURE SOLUBLE COCOA having been submitted to me, I have much pleasure in stating that I found it to be of ABSOLUTE PURITY and of the HIGHEST EXCELLENCE. It surpasses in delicacy of AROMA and RICHNESS of tasto the best hands of similar Occuss, which have hitherto been offered to the public.

This Cocoa, taken in cold water and without Sugar, is an unfailing remedy for Diarrhoea.

DE JONG'S COCOA is not only the most nutritious article of food, but is easily assimilated by ever so delicate a digestion, and therefore, a great benefit to invalids.

DE JONG'S COUOA may be obtained from

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Agents for Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 22, 1888.

J. COOK, Proprietor. HOTEL IS CENTRALLY SITUATED AND WITHIN A FEW MINUTES' WALK FROM THE PRINCIPAL LANDING PLACES.

GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS. CHARGES MODERATE TIFFIN at 1 o'Clock. DINNER at 7.30. VENTILATED BILLIARD

TIFFIN 50 CENTS. DINNER 75 CENTS. WINES, SPIRITS AND MALT LIQUORS OF THE VERY BEST QUALITY ONLY. Hongkong, April 1, 1887.

Victoria Elotel, Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c , has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Horars in the place. The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious,

large DINING HALL. 350 The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, READING, BILLYARD

The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken. Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE.

Proprietors. Hongkong, September 16, 1885.

Ladies' Department. EW WHITE STRAW HATS. NEW SUMMER BONNETS. NEW FLOWERS and FEATHERS. NEW PARASOLS and UMBRELLAS. NEW BOOTS and SHOES. NEW COLOURED SUEDE GLOVES.

U IRON BEDSTEADS, all sizes. SPRING MATTRESSES, all sizes. COLOURED TABLE CLOTHS. WHITE TABLE LINEN. CHEAP BREAKFAST CRUETS. (TELEPHONE 21).

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, February 18, 1888. THE LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

from the General Agents, with a Statement of Account to the 31st December, 1887. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th February

until the 10th March, both days inclusives JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. General Agents, Hongkong, February 18, 1888.

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

Furnishing Department.

CHEAP CARPET SQUARES.

of SHAREHOLDERS in the above 1 of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of Company will be held at the OFFICE of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 10th March, at 12.30 SATURDAY, the 10th March, at Noon, for p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Report the purpose of receiving a Report of the counts to 31st December, 1887. will be CLOSED from the 25th February

until 10th March, both days inclusive. General Agents.

NOTICE.

THE Sixth Ordinary Annual MEETING | THE Tenth Ordinary Annual MEETING General Agents, with a Statement of Ac-The Transfer BOOKS of the Company

> JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, February 18, 1888.

WANTED.

Intimations.

FURNISHED HOUSE. - Possession ' A. B. Address O FICE OF THIS PAPER.

Hongkong, March 2. 18-8. LEE TUK CHEONG, Deceased. TOTICE is hereby given that all Persons N having CLAIMS or DEMANDS against or upon the Estate of LEE TUR CHEONG, late of Victoria, Hongkong, Morchant, who died on the 5th Muy, 1887, ato required to semil to me at My Office, at No.

6', Queen's Road Central, Victoria, uforesaid, full particulars of such Claims or Demands on or before the 30th April next. in order that the same may be examined by LEE Sow Kuw, the Administrator of his Estate; and if found correct duy discharged. And all Persons INDEBTED to the said Deceased are requested to pay the amount of their respective Debts to me.
Dated this 27th February, 1888.

HO WYSON Solicitor to the Administrator. CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1887. CONTRIBUTORS to the above OFFICE are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December, 1887, in Order that the DISTRIBUTION of BONUS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st DAY OF MAHOH INSTANT,

alimitted. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CANTON INSUBANCE OFFICE, LIMITED. Hongkong, March 1, 1888.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co., Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers, Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths. TAUTICAL SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL

INSTRUMENTS. VOIGTLANDER'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES RITCHIE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS, NAUTICAL BOOKS.

English SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATED WARE Christofle & Co.'s ELECTRO-PLATED WARE. GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY in great variety. DIAMONDS

& Splendid Collection of the Latest London PATTERNS. at very moderate prices. 742 NOTICE

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER

- AND -

DIAMOND JEWELLERY,

OF COMMERCE. THE Annual General MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on FRIDAY, the 9th March, at 3.30 p.m., at the Rooms of the CHAMBER, City Hall, for the purpose of receiving the Baxter's Celebrated Barley Bree! Report of the Committee, and passing the Secretary's Accounts for the year ending

31st December, 1887. After the Annual Meeting of the Chamber, the Bill now before the Legislative Council relating to the Registration of IMPORTS and EXPORTS of the Colony, will be DISCUSSED, and ALL Memories OF THE MERCANTILE COMMUNITY interested in this question, are invited to attend, at 4.30 p.m.

By Order, H. U. JEFFRIES. Secretary. Hongkong, February 29, 1888.

J. D. KILEY, SAIL-MAKER. AWNINGS AND FLAGS.

No. 23, Praya Central, HONGKONG. Hongkong, November 1, 1887.

To Let.

TO BE LET.

UNFURNISHED WITH TENNIS COURT. ATO. 5, RICHMOND TERRACE, & FOUR ROOMED HOUSE, with Three No. 6, RICHMOND TERBACE, & SIX

ROOMED HOUSE, with Three Bath A NEW STORY has just been added to the Servants' Quarters of both houses. Apply to

JOHN WILLMOTT, Hongkong Dispensary. Hongkong, January 27, 1888.

TO LET.

(Immediate Possession.)

HOP No. 6, BEACONSPIELD ARCADE, Queen's Road Apply to BELILIOS & Co.

Hongkong, February 29, 1888.

(With Immediate Possession.) 11WO DESTRABLE RESIDENCES situated in Caine Road, West end Terface

TO BE LET.

opposite to Rose Villas. Apply to No. 14, CAINE RUAD. Hongkong, October 31, 1887.

TO LET. TO COMS in COLLEGE CHAMBERS. GODOWN in los House Lare, last

from the lat May.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON_CONS & Co. Hongkong, February & 1888.

Entertainment.

CONCERT will be held at ANDREW'S HALL, CITY HALL, ON

Monday, the 5th March, at 9 p.m. AID OF THE ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL THE COLLEGE OF MEDICINE FOR CHINESE

Under the Distinguished Patronage of His Excellency Sir WILLIAM DES VOUL, His Excellency Major-General CAMERON,

Commodore Maxwell, A.D.C., and Commodoro HEUSNER, Commanding Imporial German Squadron!

PROGRAMME: The String Band of H. I. G. M. ship Bismarck, under the leader-

ship of Mr NIEDROTH

2, -The Lament of Flora MacDonald, Old Scotch Melody. Mr W. G. GREIG. 3. -PART SONGSa. Bankett Lied. b. Vöglein in Walde, The Glee Club of H. I.G. M. ship Sophie. J. Blumenthal 1.—The Requital. Miss E. C. BAYNE.

-a. Nocturne.

10.—PART SONGS-

Dream.

b. Wellenspiel. Mr GEO. P. LIAMMERT. 6.—The Count's Aris, from Le Nozze di Figaro. Mr CRAS. J. HIRST. -Olarinette Concert, with Orchestral accompaniment, F. Manns

Mr BOEDECKER.

Chopin.

PART IL B.—Overture. Full Band of H. I. G. M. Squadron, under leadership of Mr Niedkorn. 9.—The Long Avenue, . . . Miss STOPANI.

a. Waldeinsamkeit. b. Schnickschnack. The Glee Club of H.I.C.M. ship Sophie. 11.—Reverie, Mr Von WILLE. 12.—The King's Minstrel, . Pinsuti. Mr O. H. GRAOS.

13. -Mid-summer Night's

String Band of H. I. G. M. S. Bismarck. Tickets-\$2 each-may now be had at Mesers. LANE, CHAWFORD & Co. s. Hongkong, March 2, 1888.

For Sale.

FOR SALE. TULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Dubos Frères & de Gernon & Co.'s

WHITE WINES. WHISKY -- \$74 per Case of 1 doz. GIBB. LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, July 18, 1884.

BORDEAUX CLARETS AND.

BALL PROGRAMMES FOR SALE. in new shades and partenns. 'OHINA MAIL' OFFICE,

January 20, 1888. Shipping.

2. WYNDHAM STREET.

Steamers.

FOR HOIHOW AND BANGKOK THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM. SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Company's Steamer Taichiow. Captain J. Newton, will above Ports on SUNDAY, the 4th Instant. at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, March 1, 1888. FOR SHANGHAL The Steamship Yangtsze.

YUEN FAT HONG,

SIEMSSEN & Co.

Capt. TH. STABLING, will be despatched for above Port on SUNDAY, the 4th Instant, For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, March 2, 1888.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. (Tuking Cargo & Passengers at Ulrough rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship Anchises. Captain LAPAGE, will be MONDAY, the 5th Proximo. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, February 28, 1888. GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS. FOR MEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship

Captain Wesserze, will be despatched as above on occupied by Mesera Burreteriero & Street or about the lath lostant. For Preight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agenta Hougkong, March 1, 1888.

PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH. Shipping.

Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. The Co.'s Steamship

A. VARDIN, Commander, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 7th Instant,

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First class Saloon and Cabins are situated forward of the Engines. Second Class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigorating Chamber ensures. the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is

For Freight or Passago, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, March 1, 1888. FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. The Steamship

Port Phillip
will be despatched for
the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 8th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, March 1, 1888. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAL VIA AMOY.

Taking Cargo de Passengers at through rates

for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship Telemachus. Captain Jones, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 8th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, February 29, 1888. FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAM-

BURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to

ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTER-

DAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL and BREMEN. The Steamship De despatched for the

above Ports on SATURDAY, the 10th

March, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co.,

Hongkong, February 29, 1888. Sailing Vessels.

The 3/3 L.1.1. American Ship

Great Admiral.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

J. F. Rowell, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, February 21, 1888.

Notices to Consignees. CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP PARTHIA, FROM VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE above Steamer having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for

livery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

countersignature, and take immediate de-

STEAMSHIP NATAL. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Horgkong, March 2, 1888.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre, ex Steamships Yorouba and Tamise, and from Bordeaux, ex Steamship Euriand des Vergnes, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods-with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables—are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 4 p.m. To-DAY (Thursday), the 1st

Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after FRInay the 9th Inst, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges at one cent per packet per diem. All Claims must be sent in to me on or before SATURDAY, the 10th Inst., or they

will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Hongkony, March 1, 1888. NOW READY.

THE COMMERCIAL LAW AFFECT. ING CHINESE; with special refer-Copies may be had at the China Mail

ence to PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION AND BANERUPTOY LAWS IN HONGKONG. Office, and at Measrs. Laws, CRAWFORD & 344 Qo. -- Price, 75 cents.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW The Co.'s Steamship Captain Asuron, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 6th Instant, at

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 3, 18º8

STEAM TO SAIGON. Steamship will leave for the above place on TUESDAY, 6th Instant, at Noon. E. L. WOODIN.

Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 3, 1888."

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY. The Co.'s Steamship Ports on TUESDAY, the 6th Instant, at

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 3, 1888.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship

Captain BIGLEY, will be despaiched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 7th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Agents. Hongkong, March 3, 1888.

STEAM TO SHANGHAL The P. & O. S. N. Co. Steamship.

Deccan

will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next outward English Mail.

E. L. WOODIN. Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 3, 1888. STEAM TO YOKOFIAMA, VIA NAGA

SAKI AND KOBE. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.) The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s

Steamship
Thibet
will leave for the abov places on SATURDAY, the 17th March, at E. L. WOODIN,

Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 3, 1888.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. S.S. PATHAN, FROM GLASGOW

LIVERPOOL, LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby inormed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon WHARF & GODOWN Co. at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded un-

less notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY, the 3rd Instant. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 9th Instant will be

anbject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 9th Instant, or they will not be recoznised.

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Hongkong, March 3, 1888.

RAMBLE THROUGH SOUTHERN FORMOSA. -By Mr. G. Taylon. This Article, which has been reprinted. from the China Review, contains one of the best Sketches of Formosan Life yet written. A few roughly- xecuted Woodcuts and included in the pamphlet.

May be had-Price, \$1-at Mossrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, and Messis. Kelly & WALSH, LIMITED, Hongkong; also, Mr. N. MOALLE, Amoy.

Hongkong, March 3, 1888.

NOTICE. ATOTICE is hereby given that the WARD ROOM OFFICERS of H.M.S. Swift, The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s will hold themselves in NO way RESPON-SIBLE for DEBTS Contracted by their Messman Hong CHEIN-SANG. Hongkong, March 3, 1888.

> U. S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, WA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOGORING AT YOROHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Med Steamship CITY OF NEW YORK will be despatched Capt. McCashin, will be for San Francisco via Yokohama, on despatched for the above SATURDAY, the 24th Instant, at 3 p.m., SATURDAY, the 24th Instant, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Jupan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of ading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, vià Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central Duburg, for Saigon. and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all

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embarking at Sau Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 %. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Encrope. Freight will be received on board antil

p.m. the day provious to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages 359 should be marked to address in full; value of same is required. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo

destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes addressed to the Collector of Customs at San

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central. O. D. HARMAN,

Hongkoug, March 3, 1888.

Not Responsible for Debts.

any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crem of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour :-

Phillips. -- Wieler & Co. Anon, British barque, Capt. Christensen. -Tung Sang Woo.

B. P. CHENEY, American ship, Captain Hughes. - Douglas, Lypraik & Co.

Bylaia, German barque, Capt. P. Weiss. -Wieler & Co. CENTENNIAL, American shi, Captain I M. Bearse, -Russell & Co.

HATTIE E. TAPLEY, British barque, Capt. J. McConnachy, - Gibb, Livingston & Co. Manuel, Spanish barque, Capt. Estival.
-Remedies & Co.

Huitan, British steamer, 1,182, S. Ashton, Foochow February 28, Amoy 29, and

Stocks.

To-day's Advertisements. To-day's Advertisements, Swatow Mar. 1, Gonetal.—Douglas Steam-

March 3:--Hever, German stonner, 388, B. Deltefson, Shanghai February 28, Ballast --SIEMSSEN & Co.

Arm, British barque, 634, A. Christensen, Singapore January 12, Fimber. - Tong SANG WOO.

Benlarig, British steamer, 1,485, J. L. Freeman, London and Singapore February 25, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Haiphony, British steamer, 1,122, Harris,

Saigon February 27, Rico and Paddy .-DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co. Amoy, British steamer, 814, R. Köhler, Shanghai February 29, General. - Siemssen & Co. .

> DEPARTURES. March 3:-

Tcheran, for Yokohama, Zafiro, for Manila. Hectunooga, for Manila. Marcia, for Nagasaki, Souchow, for Chefoo, Pathan, for Shanghai. City of Rio de Janeiro, for San Francisco. Benarty, for Bangkok. Kwonysang, for Swatow.

CLEARED.

Danube, for Haiphong. Benlarig, for Yokohama. Yang taze, for Shanghai. Taichiom, for Bollow and Bangkok. ctive for Heihow. Ashington, for Saigon. China, for Saigon Devordurst, for Saigon Benalder, for Guain.

Amiro, for Amoy.

Thates, for Swatow.

Fidelio, for Swatow. PASSENGERS.

ARRIVET Per Haitan, from Coass Ports, Mr H. C von den Honert. Mr Aminoff, and 130 Chi-Per Benlarig, from Singapore, 450 Chi-

Per Raiphoug, from Saigon, 6 Chinese. Per Amoy, from Shaughai, 14 Chinese. DEPARTED.

Per Teheran, from Hongkong : for Kobe, Miss Bassol, Miss Julius, and Mr Grahame: for Yokohama, Mesars C. Richardson, C. Carnegie, R. H. Wood and J. H. Cocksedge; for Hiogo, Mr Mak York Chang and servant. For Yokohama; from London, Messrs Caldecott, Okuda, and Miss Snow: from Brindisi, Mr Gibson ; from Singapore, Mr Saved. Per Zafiro, for Manila, 3 Europeans, and

6 Chincee. Per Sanchow, for Chefoo, 12 Chinese. Per City of Rio de Janeiro, for Yokohama. Mesars E. Luxton, E. L. Lang, A. Shewan and native servant, G. MacFarlane, 1 European, and 1 Chinese; for San Francisco, Mr Chas. A. Johnson, and 217 Chinese.

Per Knowigsang, for Swatow, 50 Chinese. TO DEPART. Per Danube, for Haiphong, 4 Europeans, and 11 Chinese.

Per Yangtsze, for Shanghai, 18 Chinese. Per Taichiow, for Holhow, 15 Chinese. Per Activ. for Hoihow, 50 Chinese. Per China, for Saigon, 6 Chinese. Per Amigo, for Amoy, 400 Chinese, Per Thules, for Swatow, 2 Europeans and 100 Chinese. Per Duburg, for Saigon, 100 Chinese. Per Fidelio, for Swatow, 9 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Haitan reports: Left Fooshow on 28th, at 11 a.m.; and arrived at Amoy 7 a.m., on 29th, weather calm and clear, sea very smooth. Left Amoy same day for Switow, which was On Shanghaireached on March 1st, during the passage had light N.E. winds, and fine clear weather

The British steamer Amoy reports: Had very foggy and misty, with S.W. to Tungying ; thence to port light N.E. winds and overcast.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-Daylight .- Taichiow leaves for Hoihow

Shipping.

Union Church. - Divine Worship, 11

A.M.—Rov. G. H. Bondfield. Service in

LL.D. Seaman's Services. - The Services

for Senmon which have been hitherto held

in the Mission Church, Queen's Road, will

be held in the future in Union Church. On

GERMAN BETHESDA CHAPEL. - Service in

the German language, by Rev. F. Hartmann,

every Sunday, at half-past ten A.M., in the

Sr. Joseph's Church, Garden Road .--

Turner, in the WESLEYAN MISSION ROOMS,

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

Amusements.

General Memoranda.

Noon .- Meeting of Shareholders of The

Hongkong & Kowleon Wharf & Godown

Goods per Steamer Natal unclaimed after

3.30 p.m.-Meeting of Members of the

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the

Insurance Office, Limited, to be sent

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,

LIMITED.

Hongkong General Chamber of Com-

Anchises leaves for Shanghai, &c.

9 p.m.—Concort at the City Hall.

Chinese, 2 P.M.—Rev. J. Chalmers, M.A.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES :-

invited to attend.

ing Service. Benediction.

every Thursday at 6 P.M.

THURSDAY, March 8:-

FRIDAY, March 9 :--

Company, Limited.

Noon subject to rent.

merce at the City Hall.

General Agents' office.

SATURDAY, March 31 :-

in before this date.

the General Agents' office.

A.M. and 6 F.M.

For SHANGHAL .-Per Yangteze, at 9 s.m., on Sunday, the 4 p.m .- Yangtoze leaves for Shanghai. For YOKOHAMA & KOBE .-

Per Benlaria, at 9 a.m., on Sunady, the 4th inst. For SAIGON .-Per Ashington, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the

4th inst. For SWATOW .-Per Fidelio, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 4th inst.

For AMOY .-Per Ami o, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the For TIENTSIN .-

Per Hever, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, 5th inst. For SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW. Per Haitan, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 6th inst.

For SAIGON .--Home. -Service every Sunday at 6 P.M. For Marie, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the For SAIGON:-

Per Clara, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 9th 9th inst. For SINGAPORE. Per Polyhymnia, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the Lyth inst.

HOURS OF CLOSING THE FRENCH MAIL The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by the French Contract Packet :-

Day before departure, -P.M. -- Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the NIGHT BOX, which is always open out of Office hours.

Day of departure,— A. M. - Post Office opens. A.M.—Registry of Letters ceases. 10.30 A.M.-Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases. A.M. - Mails closed, except for Late 11.10 A.M.-Letters may be posted with

Late Fee of 10 cents until 11.30 A.M.—When the Post Office closes entirely. ATURDAY. March 10:-11.40 A.M.-Late Letters may be posted on bourd the packet with Late Fee of 10 cents until time of

Quotations

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On Bombay—

On Calcutta-

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Honogong, March 3. OPIUM-New Patns, cash ... 490/921 New Bonares, cash, 4821 to 485 New Malwa, cash, .. 560 Allowance, Taels ... 32/40 Old Malwa, cash,... 580 Allowance, Taols ... 32/40 Persian, Olly, cash 600 Allowance, Taels... 32/40 Persian, Paper tied 640 Allowance, Taels ... 32/40 Exchange.

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HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Hongkong, March 1, 1888. The publication of this issue commenced

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The Cluna Itlail.

HONGKONG, BATURDAY, MARCH 3, 1888.

TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL'] (Via Southern Line.)

AUSTRIA AND HUNGARY. LONDON, 1st March, 1888. Austria and Hungary are negotiating for an increase in the army at the expiration of the present law.

ENGLAND AND RUSSIA. England, replying to a circular note from Russia, states that the Government cannot undertake to advise the Sultan of Turkey before satisfactory proposals for the future have been submitted to the Powers.

(From Singapore Papers.) THE FRENCH MINISTRY. Paris, 20th February, -The Budget Committee has reversed the vote of the Chamber of Deputies, and M. Tirard retains

FRANCE AND TURKEY. The enquiry about the Damascus incident shows the French Consulate to have been unviolated.

THE SUGAR BOUNTIES. Belgium has agreed to the abolition of Sugar Bounties.

PARLIAMENT.

London, 17th Feb. -Sir James Fergusson declining to produce diplomatic papers with reference to the European situation; Mr Labouchere gave notice of an amendment to the Address to the effect that the House is entitled to the information de-

ENGLAND'S RELATIONS WITH ITALY AND FRANCE

gusson stated that the Government had not entered into any agreement with Italy, and that relations with France are now excellent. Mr Labouchere then withdrew his amendment, and the address was voted.

THE SITUATION. Vienna, 23rd Feb. The weather having improved, Russia has continued the massing of troops on the Galician frontier. Russian Circular, requesting further explanations before pronouncing against Prince Ferdinand

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL. OUTWARD BOUND :- Austin Friars, Janham, 14; Glenfalloch, Olympia, Altonower, 17; Benlawers, Oxus, Patrochus, 21; Glenogle, Jason, Ningchow, Pogeidon, Preusien, Propontis, 28.

HOMEWARD BOUND :- Albany, Jan. 3; Bengloe, Feb. 3; Devoushire, 7; Lydia, 10; Monmouthshire, 14; Neckar, Sussec.

Sunday evening at 7.30. All Seamon are The steamer Deccan, with the English Thursday, the 1st March, at 6 a.m. and may be expected here on or packet brings replies to letters de days. spatched from Hongkong on Dec.

9 A.M. Mass and Sermon. 5.30 P.M. Even-The a.s. Huntingdon left Singapore on the ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH, Sailors 24th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd March. Holy Communion at 7.30 A.M. on the Second The P. & O. extra steamship Rhiva Sunday; and after the evening Service on

from Bombay, left Singapore for this the Fourth Sunday of each month. Service port on the 26th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd Mar. The O. S. S. Co.'s steamship Anchises. Services are conducted by the Rev. J. A. 127 Queen's Road East, on Sundays at 9.45 26th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 3rd Mar.

The steamship Decudate left Singapore on the 27th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 4th March. The Scottish Oriental Company's new str. Derawangse was to leave Singapore on the 28th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 5th March.

The D. D. R. steamship Electra, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 29th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 6th March. 'fhe O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Telemachus, from Fob., and may be expected here on

or about the 6th March, The steamer Port Phillip left Singapore on here on or about the 7th March. Navegazione Generale Italiana Co.'s expected to arrive on or about the 8th

RDER OF CHORAL SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL - 3RD SUNDAY IN LENT. China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the 12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of & Woodward; Te Deum, Stainer No. the Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at 59 : Jubilate, Cooke ; Anthem, Lord most Holy; Kyrie, Boyton Smith; Hymn, 256; Offertory, 259; List of Contributions to the Canton Voluntary, Interlude.

Evensong :- Voluntary, Aria (St. Paul) Mondelssohn : Pasime, Goss, & Hopkins ; Cantate, Hopkins ; Deus Misereatur, Hopkins; Hymns, 102. 261 & 95; Voluntary, (Chorus, Israel in Egypt) Handel.

THE O. & O. steamer Gaclic, which leaves for San Francisco on the 14th inst., wi call at Honolulu.

N. G. I. steamer Bisagno left Singapore last night for this port,

THE M. M. steamer Natal, which arrived from Europe on Thursday, was delayed in GRASS SEED the Canal for thirty-six honrs waiting for a British steamer which had gone ashore ahead of her.

> Chapel (Berlin Foundling House) to-mor- embankment to be loosened in that way. row, Sunday, 4th instant, at half-past four. The holes were made by a scaffolding that A sermon will be preached by the Rev. J. was put up there before the cutting of the Wangemann, fof the German cruiser So-

An alteration has been made in the programme of the Concert for Monday night, which will be found on our front page. We trust the weather will be propitious, for both the object for which the Concert is given and the excellent programme to be presented should secure a crowded house.

A MARRIED woman named Wong Asan was brought before Mr A. G. Wise in the Police Court to-day on a charge of detaining a girl with the intent to sell her for the purpose of prostitution. Mr Wilson (of Messrs Wotton and Deacon's Office) appeared for the defendant and saked for a remand, which was given, bail being allowed in two sureties for \$200 each.

A MAN named Chu Asz, residing at 200 Queen's Road West, was brought before Mr a day or to after leaving Suez. A. G. Wise in the Police Court to-day charged, at the instance of Inspector Swanston, with keeping a Taz-fa lottery agency. Inspector Swanston said he regarded the case as an aggravated one and asked that Brooklyn was bound to Batavia, and had on the full penalty be imposed. His Worship sentenced defendant to pay a fine of \$200, or suffer six months' imprisonment with hard labour.

A POINT of law was argued to-day before

the Full Bench in the Supreme Court by Mr Robinson, who appeared for a prisoner accused with stealing a large quantity of cigars and also with being found in possession of these goods knowing them to have LIEUTENANT Stewart of the Royal Canabeen stolen. Mr Robinson, at the trial ten days ago, held that recent possession of Lushai raiders near Balhasuritong in Bristolen property might be evidence in support of the charge of theft, but that it was not evidence that the accused obtained the 3rd February. The bodies were decapitated goods knowing them to having been stolen. Mr Justice Russell held that recent possession was evidence with regard to both charges. The jury acquitted the prisoner on the charge of theft, but found him guilty of reset. Mr Robinson asked that the point of law be reserved and his appeal was granted. To-day he quoted authorities at or less after the Pi man style. The basis London, 23rd February. - Sir James Fer- great length in support of his contention. Mr Justice Russell said Mr Robinson had fully stated his point to the jury, and the jury, who were intelligent men, had heard the evidence and found the prisoner guilty. Mr Robinson contended that the jury, as twenty-nine finals, of which he makes a intelligent men, must have been influenced. by His Lordship's opinion on the point of law. Their Lordships, however, after hear subsidicy marks, but the author declares The Great Powers have replied to the ing Mr Robinson at donaiderable length,

VICEROY Li has issued a proclamation exhorting the people of his province, Chihli, to cultivate trees after approved methods, with uary 3; Stentor, Strathleven, Upping- the view of securing bonefit to the people and the country.

Six men were charged in the Police Court to-day, before Mr Wise, with public gambling in a house at Wanchai. Inspector Hennessy said he searched the house and 17; Glenartney, Ingraban, 21; Ching. Hennessy said he searched the house and wo, Denbighshire, Elektra, Glencoe, Glen- found the whole of the defendants, the first and second managing the game. The first and second defendants were fined \$10 MAIL of Feb. 3rd, left Singapore on each with the alternative of 14 days' imprisonment, the others being sentenced to about Tuesday, the 6th March. This pay a fine of \$3 or go to prison for seven

THE Volunteer Parade and march out called for yesterday evening were very successfully carried through. Since the reorganization of the Corps at the commencement of the present season, ouch subaltern has been placed in charge of a Division, with permission from the Comfrom Liverpool, left Singapore on the mandant to do all that lies in his power to recruit, and otherwise promote the welfare of his command, or, in few words, every officer is being encouraged to try and make himself useful. The plan adopted appears likely to justify the expectations of its promotors, and the position and prospects of the Corps have again materially improved during the present season. In pursuance of the divisional system, the extra drill last night was under the auspices of the sabalt-Liverpool, left Singapore on the 29th ern of the left division (Lieutenant Woolley), and was fairly well attended, thirty men responding to his call, enough for the 1st March, and may be expected three strong gun detachments, or, half a Battery. The route lay along the upper steamer Bisagno left Singapore for this levels, out on to the Pok-fu-lum Road, back port on the 2nd March, and may be by the lower level and Queen's Road to Head Quarters, which were reached about 11 p.m., when the men were dismissed, apparently well pleased with the experiment. During the march and the few movements Matins :- Voluntary, Pastorale, Silas; During the march and the few movements Venite, Lee; Psalms, Monk, Aldrich that were gone through, a drill instructor was in attendance, and when called to attention the strictest silence and discipline were maintained throughout.

The inquest on the bodies of the two men killed by a landslip at Queen's Road West was resumed at the Magistracy this morning before Mr Wodehouse, the jury being Messrs R. B. Jukes, G. A. F. von Wille, and J. A. Gutterrez. - Iuspector Swanston said he had no evidence forthcoming as to whom the holes in the embankment were made by. The boles were about two-and-a Messes Carlowitz & Co. inform us that the half feet in depth. They appeared to have been made with an iron bar or by a piece of wood being driven in. The embankment was of disintegrated granite and the under portion seemed to have been cut away. The top part appeared to have given way from its own weight,-Chung Ayung, the contractor, recalled, said : He had seen the holes referred to. These were not what he TREER will be a service in the German called rat-holes. He gave no orders for the embankment was begun .- Inspector Swanston at this stage said he had sent a lukong. to find the other coolies who were engaged at the place but they could not be found. He thought the contractor must know where they were. -Mr Wodehouse asked the jury whether they were satisfied as to the cause of the embaukment falling, and the reply being in the affirmative, the Coroner said he did not consider it necessary in that case to adjourn the inquest for the evidence of the coolies. -The jury then returned a verdict of 'accidental death,'

THE Chinese Times says :- The health of the Seventh Prince has decidedly improved. and he can now walk a little. He has been troubled with swellings in his joints, the result of weakness.

THE P. & O. s.s. Chusan, which arrived at Colombo lately on her way to Australia. had an almost unprecedented experience in the Red Sea, in a very heavy storm of hail,

THE United States frigate Brooklyn, carrying the flag of the Commander-in-Chief. Rear Admiral Chandler, anchored in Singapore roads about 10 days age and exchanged salutes with Fort Canning. The board as passenger U. S. Vice Consul Withers, of Hongkong. THE authorities at Surabaya have passed regulations bringing Chinese owned steam-

ers flying the British flag, under the enact-

ments in force there directed against over-

loading. The latter practice has been so

rife among craft of this kind plying to

Singapore that some such measure has long

been urgently called for. It took effect this dians with two European soldiers, one havildar and one scooy, were killed by tish territory, three days' march from Rangamattes while engaged in surveying operations in the Chittagong hill tracts on the by the Lushais and the camp looted. Mr Murray with a party of frontier police has

proceeded to the spot. CHINESE SHORTHAND :- The Chinese Times says :- An interesting and highly ingenious experiment has been made by the Rev. Mr. Beach of Tung Chou to represent the Chinese spoken language by a system of clear and simple phonetic symbols, more of Mr Beach's method is the division of every monosyllabio word in Chinese into two component parts, an initial and a final an idea already familiar to the Chinese in the fan ch'ich of the Wu-fang-yilan-yin and the author finds he can accomplish his purpose by means of twenty-six initals and kind of alphabet. There are still a few. syllables which require extra symbols and the tones have also to be indicated by a set that an educated foreigner can learn the system in from two to five hours and s

overruled his contentions with regard to the | Chinese in from ten lessons to five months according to capacity,

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON;

BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA; AND AUSTRALIA. N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES

TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON. SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship CLYDE, Captain E. M. EDMONG, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, via BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL, on THURSDAY, the 15th March, at Daylight.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. on the day previous to sailing. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 2 p.m. on the day previous to sailing. Tea, Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Gen eral Cargo for London will be conveyed vid Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct

route via Colombo. For further Particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong. The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading. Passengers desirous of insuring their baggage can do so on application at the Company's Office. E. L. WOODIN,

Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office. Hongkong, March 3, 1888.

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ARRIVALS. March 2, 1888 :-

Al either the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for ALLIE Rowe, Hawaiian brig, Captain J.

SHIPPING.

with a calm sent Left Swatow 2nd, and had light Easterly winds and dull cloudy Sovereigns, weather, and a smooth sea to port. Strs. in Foochow, Haeshin; 10 Swatow, Phra Chula Chom Klao and Naushan, Weather fine with Northerly winds and calma.

The British steamer Hambong reports: Left Saigon on the 27th ultq., and experienced strong monsoon with high sea to the 28th ulto.; then light winds to the 2nd with passing fog.

The British steamer Benturia reports:

instant, and thence to port moderate winds

Gold Leaf, 100 fine ... Temperature. (Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises.

Queen's Road.) Ванометев- 9 а.м.... 30.04 30.00 4 RM THERMOMETER-9 A.M.... 1 P.M. ... 4 P.M. ... (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 62 1 P.M. 63 4 P.M. -

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Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$	50	all	\$ +200,000 \$ 127,320		Dec. DAJO!	850 -
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited 60,000 shares issued	121,212	£	10	£ R	****	£ 4,387.5.9	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	15 % dis., sales
Chine and Manila S. S. Co., Ld MISCELLANEOUS.		1.	50	al)		41.	None	5 % prem., buyers
H'kong & Whampon Dock Co., Ld. HK. and China Gas Co., Limited.	1		126					52 % prem., ex div. nom.
New Shares	1,900	£	10	£ 7.10	£ 9,177.31.1	£ 1,5:7.3.11	10 % and 2 % bonus for '54	\$130 per share, buyers, full paid up
3,000 ans. issued	3,000		100	all		\$ 678.94	M REG ON 1991	\$185 n ex div., nomina
China Sugar Company, Limited Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	15,000 5,000	2 3%	10. 25	all all	e 07 EA		6 % for ½ year to June 30/87	
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ld Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	- 600	\$ %	5U 10U	all all	\$ 37 500 \$ 6,000	\$ 514.58	10% for 1886	\$110 " ex div., nomine
Perak Tin Mining & S'ting Co	5,000	TI.	50 50	all		\$ 129,303.18	None	240 buyers Tls. 18
Funjom & Sunghie Dua Samatan	40,000	\$	10	***	•		None None	\$20 " sellers
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	100 100		100		•••	•••	None	\$143, buyers
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld. A. S. Watson & Co., Limited HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	3,800	8	50 100 100	all	8 5,000	3 2,730.09	None 61 % int. div.	\$49, sales 68 % prem.
LOANS.					Rates of In:	Payahi		12 % prem., nominal

T700,000 TL 250 March & Sept. Equalization of Divident Fund. + Depreciation and Insurance Fond

yearly, 30 June

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81 % prem., buyers

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10 % prem., buyers 1 At debit.

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by the Trans Caspiars authorities.

THE Rev. J. M. Schleyer, of Constance, the inventor of Volapuk, is said to be acquainted with fifty-five languages, of which he speaks and writes twenty-eight. It was, we are told, after forty-five years' study of these tongues that he formed the idea of constructing a language by mean of which, as he put it, the civilized inhabitants of the world could make themsolves understood in speaking as well as in

REFERENCE to the death of Captain T. L. Davies, of the S. S. Taisang, the Straits Times says :- The deceased arrived here on the 14th instant, after calling at Penang, on a voyage from Calcutta to Hongkong. He had been ailing all along after leaving Calcutta with strong symptoms of a bad fever. When he arrived here he was feeling much worse with pulse as high as 106. Dr. Mugliston saw him and ordered him at once to Hospital. He was brought there soon after the ship's arrival on the morning of the 14th. The same morning, after his clothes were changed to light Hospital dress, he was carried in a chair to the portion of of the Hospital set apart for so:all-pex cases, after Dr. Bowman, temperarily in charge of the General Hospital during Dr. Simon's absence on leave, had seen him. For the remaining portion of the story of his death, we quote from a letter of Dr. Bowman received at noon to-day by Mr. Davies, of Davies & Co., Ship Chandlers, one of deceased's oldest friends, informing him of Capt. Davies' death the night before. The Dr. states that when he first saw him 'I found | Time, 2 min. 13 sco. his symptoms slight.' That was before he was removed, in the way above-mentioned, to the small-pox hospital, 'When I visited him yesterday, I found, contrary to all reasonable expectation, that his case had assumed the type of malignant small-pox-a very uncommon and deadly form of the disease—this case is, I think, almost unprecedented in its suddenness.' The italics are the Dr.'s own. Continuing, he says There can be no doubt, that from the first, no treatment could have saved him.' leave the letter without comment.

THE SPORTS OF THE NORTHAMP-TONSHIRE REGIMENT. Under the patronage of

H. E. Major-General W. G. Cameron, C.B.

Committee: Major W. P. Ellis. Major M. Churchill - Major R. J. Chaytor. Captain J. Collinson Lieut. C. S. Prichard. Lieut. M. D. Graham.

Sub-Committee: Sergt.-Major Hill. Sergeant Reynolds. Col.-Sergt. Crowley. Sergeant Brown. Staff-Sergeant Mills.

The sports took place under fairly good weather, although a shower fell when the programme was about finished, which made things disagreeable for a short time. There was a large turnout of spectators including a considerable number of ladies. Among the spectators were H. E. Sir William Des Voeux, H.E. General Cameron, Col. Anderson, Major Tripp, of the Hongkong Volunteers, and the officers of the 58th Regiment. The band of the Regiment under Mr Moran performed during the afternoon. A number of the Lily minstrels in their nigger costumes afforded amusement to a crowd of

admirers. The sports were gone into with great spirit and although there was no undue delay in carrying out the programme darkness came on before it could be quite finished. The following are the details of the events :-1.—Putting the Shot, 16 lbs.—No follow. Four entered for this event, two prizes being offered. Busby had quite an easy win, his best throw being the very creditable one of 314 feet. Loveday coming se-

cond with 201 feet. Private Rusby (G Coy.) . 1; \$3. Private Loveday (G Cloy.) 2; \$1.

2.—HIGH JUMP. The high jumping was fairly good and the event was well-contested. There were five competitors, among whom Busby was an easy first. Although his best jump was 4 feet 6 inches, it was evident that he could have cleared a bottor height had it been necessary for him to try. Private Potter, however, stopped at 4 feet 5 inches.

Private Busby (G Coy.) . 1; \$3. Private Potter (C Coy.) . 2; \$1.

 $3.--\mathbf{L}$ ono Jump. This was an exceedingly closely-contested event, there being a large number of entries Private James had an easy victory with his fine jump of 17 feet 1 inch, Bushy coming second with a jump of 16 feet 10 inches. Private James (G Coy.) . 1; 83.

Busby (G Coy.) \ 2; \$1. 4. Boys' RACE. - 120 yards Handican. Only three entered for this race, which was run in 14 seconds and four-fifths: Watson and Webb; Gallaghar was scratch giving the other two four yards start.

. . 1; \$5 divided Gallaghar . . . 2; \$1.

5.-100 YARDS RACE. In this race there was a keen contest, but Private Panter made a good first, being between two and three yards in front at the finish. About the same distance separated the second and third. Time II secs.

Private Panter (A Coy.) . 1; \$5 Lc. Corpl. Nagels (B Coy.). 2; \$3 Bandsman Walsh (B Coy.) 3: \$2

6.—N. C. O's. RACE.—120 yards. This race was run in just two seconds less time than the race over the same distance for boys, the time being 112 secs.

Sgt. O'Sullivan (B Coy.) . 1; \$5 Corpl. Foster (E Coy.) . 2; \$3 Corpl. Jones (F Coy.) . 2; \$2 .- COMPANY TUG-OF-WAR, FINAL

This was a trial of strength between teams of ten men representing A and G Companies G. Company had undoubtedly the advantage in weight and pulled their opponents over somewhat easily twice in succession. The prize was \$20. 8 .- ONE MILE RACE.

A dozen started in this race but some dropped out before the finish. For the last quarter of the course, Drummer Haynes was a long way shead of all the others. His time was 5 min. 3 secs. Private Seamark had a good lead on Hancock.

Drummer Haynes (C Coy.) . \$6. Private Seamark (A Coy.) . 34. Private Hancock (E Coy.) . \$2. Private Andrews { (B Coy.) } \$1.

Private Beckwith { (B Coy.) } \$1.

9.—OLD SOLDIERS' RACE,—120 yards : 1 yard start for every year over 12 years. Only three old soldiers entered for this race, which was run in 16t secs. Sergeant Sullivan . . 1; 85.

Colour Sergeant Kendrick 2; \$3. Sergt. Mjr. Cook Sexton 3 1 82. 11.-THROWING THE CRICKET BALL There was considerable variety in the That Impartiality, another victim to the

A TELEGRAM from Teheran, dated 9th in- throwing of the cricket ball, the variety stant, reports the arrival of Colonel Yates being rather increased by one of the balls in Tiffis; his party appear to have been ox- going outside the rails and alighting on the head of a Sikh who, thanks to his puggery. was not burt. Pte. Tomkins best throw was 101 yards I foot, Moore's being 96 vards 2 feet.

Pte. Tomkins (C Coy.) . 1; \$3. Pte. Moore (A Coy.) . . - 2; \$1. 12. QUARTER-MILE RACE. - Challenge Cup presented by the Hon. C. P. Chater. This was an easy race for Panter who ould have done it in less time than he took -662 seconds--but was not pressed in any

way and made the finish rather slow. Private Panter (A Coy) 1 : 85: Lee. Cpl. Nagels (B Coy.) 2 \$3. Private Haynes (D Coy.) 3; \$2.

3. BLUE JACKETS' RACE. -120 yards. The blue jackets made a very good race. Five entered and all ran pretty close together till near the finish when Connor. Frampton and Smith came away in front. The time was 15 secs.

Conner, Sapphire . Frampton, Victor Emanuel 2; \$3 Smith, Victor Emanuel . 3; 82. 4,-220 YARDS' HANDIGAF.-Open ito Of-

ficers of Army and Navy, Hongkong Club, and V. R. C. Prize, a Cup. This race did not induce a large number of entries but the contest was a spirited one. lieut. Higginbotham had a tough run to come in first. - Time 25 schonds.

Lieut. Higginbotham Mr Denison Mr E. Shepherd

to. - HALF-MILE RACE. - Open to Army, Navy, and Police. Only three entered for this race and Guns la Sing won easily coming in a good many vards in front of the second man, who had bout the same advantage over the third .-

Gunda Singh (Gun Lascars) 2; \$3. Pte. Haynes (D Coy) Garram Singh (Gun . 3; \$2. Lascars)..... .—TILTING AT THE BUCKET.

This was a highly amusing contest and nost of the competitors got a shower bath rom the upturned bucket, a few however succeeding in scoring. . The most successful competitors were Tomkins and Brown Pinfold and Briston, and Latchford and

17.—Shirmishing Race,—1,000 yards open to Garrison. Prizes presented by H. E. The Major-General Commanding. The competitors in this race had to proceed in skirmishing order lying down at the end of every hundred yards and firing one round. The race under these conditions as may easily be imagined was a very trying It was done however in excellent time, the first man touching the tape in 4 min. 25 seconds from the start, while the

others were close behind. Private Haynes (D Company). Panter (A Andrews (B Turland (C. 18.—Wheelbarrow Race. Privates Busby & Young Hyde & Latchford 2 ; \$1.

Tomkins & Hyde 3. 19.—Steeple Chare.—About one mile. This was quite as trying a competition as the skirmishing race, some of the obstacles to be cleared being pretty formidable. Scamurk had a very good first, coming in

in 3 min. 34 seconds. Pte. Seamark Pte. Panter 2; \$4 Pte. Bristoe 3: \$3 Pte. Chappel. Pte. Hancock 20.—HURDLE RAGE.—120 yards, 10 flights

open to Army, Navy, and Police. FIRST HEAT-Private Mills (H. Coy) 1 Private Busby, (G. Coy) 2; Private Walsh, (B. Coy), 3. SECOND HEAT-Private Hyde (C. Coy) 1 Private Nagels, (B. Coy) 2; Private Seamark (A. Coy) 3.

TRIED HEAT-Private Seamark, 1; Pri vate Hyde, 2; Private Nagels, 3. 1.—OPEN TUG-OF-WAR.—For Army

Navy, and Police. This the last event of the afternoon was unfortunately left undecided. Five teams of ten each entered the lists,--Police Royal Artillery, 68th Regiment, Roya Marines, and Sikhs. The first pull took place between the Police and Royal Artillery, the Police winning easily; after the teams had all pulled the struggle for the place lay between the Police and Regiment, the defenders of the having pulled over the latter team once already. The Police again pulled the opponents towards the mark, but it was decided that they claimed the

dispute was left to another day. 'FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR That the action and utterances of the Governor in the mutter of the Finance

Committee have been received by the

victory and let go the rope before the mark

was actually passed. The decision of the

public with very great satisfaction. That there need be no doubt but that the discussion of money votes with open doors should be hailed with satisfaction. even if the matters discussed are sometimes not of more importance than whether a yellow man or a black man should be a doorkeeper at the Govern-

ment Hospital That it is to be hoped, when matters of more weight are before the Committee the Secret Chamber system will never again be revorted to.

That it is to be regretted that the P. M. G. should do injustice to himself and his friends by cultivating a tone of childish

petulance, in or out of Council. That the caccethes scribendi has lately assumed not only an epidemic but also a somewhat virulent form, extending even to those who ' go down to the sea in'

ships. That I am afraid the gallant Skipper who has the pluck to write over his own signature will find philanthropy a thankless task, even when it takes the form of doing unto others' etc.

That of course I don't know how much he may add mentally to the original quotation under the 'etcetera.'

That there is no harm in the servant of a Company advancing it money, provided he does it as cheaply as it can be procured in the open market.

That all the same, were I a shareholder, I should rather see him investing his money in the particular Company's shares, simply pour encourager les autres

provailing complaint, pretty fairly diagnosed the state of things when he suggested that, in spite of much frothy correspondence, shareholders' meetings would pass over with their acoustomed placidity.

That ' muckle cryin' and nae 'oo' (wool)-s saying which you gentlemon from North the Tweed accredit to Old Nick when he attempted shearing the pig-might well apply to the action of a good many Hongkong sharoholders.

That at least shareholders of the Bank have done well to recognise that they are well

That, barring the ever-present truism that no man is infallible, I should like to know who could be get to replace men like Jackson, Cameron, or Maclean.

That the local Bank should be well run this year with the assistance of two Kings of Finance at the head of the Board of Directors.

That the Race Meeting would appear to have shown that the interests of true sport were not unmixed with other, interests of a grosser and more personal

That even at Home it is very difficult to keep the racing stable in a thoroughly sanitary condition.

That the strict rules of the turi may be apparently observed to the letter when their spirit are entirely disregarded. That, taking one thing with another, Hong-

kong may well be proud of the leading sporting men who have done most for racing in this Colony, That the Ball of the Jockey Club was re-

markably successful, considering the lateness of the season, the round of gaieties that have already been gone through, and the solemn fact that it occurred in Lout (with a big L), although even this last consideration did not prevent some of the stricter Church-folks from attending.

That it would be a step in the right direction if subordinate officers of the Government here could be made to understand that they are the servants of the public and as such are not entitled to put on frills when dealing with the public.

That we are about to lose an old and trusty public servant in Captain Thomsett, and I am sure the sturdy old mariner will carry away with him the heartiest good wishes of this community, more especially of those who with him have seen the Colony in its earlier days struggling in very troubled waters.

That the Medical Commission are to be congratulated upon having begun to come to a conclusion before other people thought they had fairly started into the investigation.

That in Hongkong a great many things get begun, and the trouble is to get them

That I rather think Mr Danby carries wit him the common sense of the community when he says that the public sewers mus first be properly completed before the house-drains are laid out.

That if I mistake not I have read that same truth in your leading columns until it began to get a little monotonous, as truth is sometimes, especially to those who do not care to acknowledge it.

regard this as truth, although he has put the proposition in a different way.

that the public have every sympathy with Mr Price in his troubles with the big Dam, and sincerely hope that he will succeed in plugging the obnoxious spring, and let us have the limpid waters murmuring on this side of the Tytam Valley in time for next dry season.

That although I hesitate to tender advice to men of business, I fancy the local Dock Company would be well advised to publish a tariff of their charges and stick to it-reducing only when others reduce, -as the competition of Amoy, Shanghai, and Nagasaki may otherwise steal

march upon them. That the Water Police should prevent steamers from polluting the waters of our Harbour by 'dumping' tons of soot and ashes overboard.

That any one with a good glass can see this misdemeanour going on from the upper levels, and I shall begin to give the names of the steamers if the irregularity

That it is plain enough to me that one of the reasons why young men do not get married here is, that girls do not fit themselves to be helpmeets, but with their heads full of Hongkong Society nonsense dream of living on the taipan scale and no other ;-thus are they destined to flutter on alone, and it would be wel were materfamilias to recognise this fact and put on the break, else there will be a very big blank in the Register Book and a bad outlook for the tiny wee lassies now growing up in our midst.

That I am afraid the Latter-day novelist would find it hard work to elaborate a heroine of the orthodox stamp in Hongkong ;-we don't raise them in this Colony, they only pass through.

That I anticipate having an inward chuckle during the week, when some aggrieved angel in diamonds and moire (unconscious of who is at her elbow) inveighs against fortunately they are true for all that.

That, on reading the report of the inquest a landslip, it struck me as strange that no ment was called,

I fancied that Government work shoulbe supervised, even when done by a con-

That I see the Chamber of Commerce has called upon every one interested to come forward and speak his mind on the proposed Registration of Imports and

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,

LIMITED. The following is the Report of the Directors to be presented at the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the Company's Hotel, at half-past 3 o'clock p.m., on Wednesday, the 7th March :---

In accordance with Section 53 of the Articles of Association, the Directors have now to submit to you their Half-yearly Report for the six months ending 31st De-

Business .- The first four months of the comparatively few visitors coming to the Since last meeting Mesars. W. R. Loxley

& Co. of London, who have acted as Agents in various matters connected with the as Auditor. Hotel, engaged two Barmaids, and despatched them to Hongkong, alleging that they were engaged for service in the Hotel. This they did without any authority from the Directors, and, as the Barmaids were not required, the Directors were obliged to readvice the Company paid the claim of the Steam-Launch Precursor. Barmaids and are now seeking to recover New Boiler. from Messrs, Loxley & Co. the damages Refined Sugar, sustained in consequence of their un- Ray Sugar, authorized act. The suit is still pending. Coals. Charcoal, Stores, The execution of London orders are now entrusted to Messra. Tulloch & Co., 85, Gracechurch Street, in place of Mesers. Sundry Debtors, . Loxley & Co. as heretofore.

Hotel is proceeding satisfactorily, and an American 'Lift' has been ordered from Less Balance Cr. Secretary. -The Directors regret that by the death of Mr Hauschild they lost the

valuable services of a gentleman who has been for many years connected with the Company. Mr Robert Lyall has been appointed to the vacant post, Profit and Loss .- The accounts for the Jardine, Matheson & Co. past half-year, after deducting Interest,

Fire Insurance, Taxes, and all charges, and making provisions for bad and doubtful debts, show a net profit of \$13,821.98, to which has to be added a sum of \$678.94 carried over from last account, making Sundry Creditors; available \$14,500.92, which the Directors, with the concurrence of the shareholders, propose to deal with as follow :-To pay a dividend of 4 per cent.

To write off Cost of the Company's steam launch..... To carry forward to new account Directors. - Messrs W. Kerfoot Hughes and A. dos Remedios retire by rotation, but To Remuneration to Conare eligible for re-election

Auditors. - Mesers J. H. Cox and A. E. Vaucher offer themselves for re-election. D. McCullion, Chairman.

BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1887 Hotel Property on Marine Lot No. 5, and on the Remaining Portion of Marine Lot. No. 3. \$318,390.33 To Auditors' Fee. Furniture Account. . . Remaining Portion of Marine Shares in Public Companies. Sundry Debtors. Stock of Wines and Provisions. 4,500.00 Steam Launch. Suspense Account (amount dis-

bursed in compensation and Legal Expenses in connection with the two Barmaids) Liabilities. Mortgage Account.

That the Surveyor General may possibly | Paid-up Capital on 3,000 Shares. \$300,000.00 Sundry Creditors Arbitration Account, as per award in the case of Messre Danby & Leigh, dated 1st Unpaid Dividend Profit brought forward from last ac-Profit for the balfyear to 31st December, 1887 . . 13,821.08

PROVIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, FOR THE 6 MONTHS TO SIST DECEMBER. To Directors and Auditors To Charges To Interest To Balance.

\$20,275.4 By Nett Earnings of Hotel . By Bonus and Dividends from local Offices

R. LYALL, Secretary. Audited and found correct. JAMES H. COX, A. E. VAUCHER, Hongkong, 29th February, 1888.

LUZON SUGAR REFININ COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the Report for presentation to the shareholders of this Company at the sixth ordinary annual meeting to be held at the offices of the General Agents, will be carried on under the supervision of at 12.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th

their report on the working of the Compa- godowns has only just been completed. ny and a Statement of Accounts for the The two original Wharves have been year ended 31st December, 1887.

considerable improvement on those shewn for use very soon. in the last report, and there is now substan- The Directors have much pleasure in in-

pany held a larger quantity of Refined O. Steam Navigation Company at Kowlcon | cher upon the bodies of two coolies killed by Sugar than the General Agents deemed and West Peint. In view of the expenses so prudent, and they therefore stopped the which would be entailed by a separate caexpert from the labic Works depart. From that time, with the exception of about to work the last named property. Since a fortnight in December, Sugar Refining this purchase was made land in the neigh-

That it may be an errongous impression, but was suspended until the 1st instant, but it bourhood of West Point has, under the it will be continuous and profitable.

Company having proved scarcely suitable ty upon advantageous terms. the approval of the Consulting Committee, W. H. Forbes retire in rotation, but, being have arranged to procure from England a eligible, offer themselves for re-election. in Spain. The cost will add considerably tors of the Company. In the absence of to the Company's liabilities, but this will the former, Mr. E. J. Coxon has, with Mr be realized. It is hoped the machine will

be in working order in about a month. Consulting Committee. - Owing to the Hongkong, 2nd March, 1888. death of Mr M. E. Murray and the retirement of Mr F. D. Sassoon, on leaving the | Capital Account.-31st December, 1887 Colony, Mr Gillion is the only remaining member of the Consulting Committee. Mr Kowloon Property :--Gillies offers himself for re-election, and the To Value of Kow-General Agents will be glad if the Shareholders will nominate two others of their number to fill the vacancies. If, however, they are unprepared to do so and will leave. the matter in the hands of the General Agents the best arrangements will be made that circumstances permit. past half year were very poor, owing to Muditors .- In the absence of Mesers.

Arnold and Bevis the accounts have been audited by Mr F. Henderson. Mr Arnold will return to the Colony shortly and is recommended for re-election JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1888. CAPITAL ACCOUNT. -31st Dec., 1887.

fuse to ratify the engagement. Under legal Property Account. . . . 8 742,308.66 Fire Insurance, &c. . 36,319,29 23,522.84 Profit and Loss Account,-The building of the New Wing of the Balance Dr. A/c.,

A/c., 1887. .

27,948.53 \$1,026,950.38 700,000.00 Sapital Account. Advance Account. Jardine. Matheson & Co.. Current Account. 159,265,36 Hongkong and Shanghai 115,037.65 Banking Corporation.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, 1887 Less Interest on General Agents' Current Account, conceded, 10,621.48

sulting Committee: General Agents' and Manila Agents' Commissions. . \$ 8,452.07 Less General

Agents' portion conceded, . . 4,226.03 15,501.02 By Gain in Working,

\$ 15,501.02 JARDINE. MATHESON & Co.,. I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Company, and the Returns re-

ceived from the Manila Agents, and certify that the above Statements are in accordance therewith F. HENDERSON, Auditor.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1888. THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON

WHARF AND GODOWN CO. LIMITED. The following is the report of this Com pany for presentation to the Shareholders at the first Ordinary Annual Meeting, to be held at the offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, on Thursday, the 8th day of March,

1888, at 12 o'clock, Noon :-The Directors have the pleasure to submit to the shareholders their first Report. with a statement of Accounts for the year ending Slat December: 1887.

The total receipts for the 12 months are \$154,973.28, and the net Profits, after pay- Dr. 208.24 ing expenses and all charges, amount To Wages of permanent foreign from which have to be deducted Directors' Fees.......\$5,000 Auditors' Fees 500

leaving available for appropriation \$70,929.84

Out of this sum the Directors propose to pay a Dividend of \$4 per share, which will absorb \$68,000; to write off 21) per cent from Furnishing Account and Preliminary Expenses, and to carry forward the balance of \$1,224.97 to next year.

Upon it becoming known to the Directors that the Government proposed to reclaim the foreshore in front of the Sailors' Home for the construction of a new market they at once applied for permission to make a corresponding reclamation in front of the adjoining Marine Lots at West Point after some negotiation this was obtained and the Directors, availing themselves of a demand for property in that quarter, contracted for a sale of the land and godowns at present in their occupation, but exclusive of the Wharf and reclamation, for the sum of \$5:10,000, as will be observed in the statement of accounts. The reclamation Government, and a contract has been entered into for the completion of the work for

the sum of \$115,000. The General Agents have now to submit At Kowloon the building of the extensive further lengthened, so as to accommodate The results of the year's operations, al. the steamers which now come alongside, Godowns, though still far from satisfactory, make a and the third Wharf is expected to be ready By Exchange,

tial ground for hoping that, owing to the timeting that they have concluded an altered conditions of business in the Philip- Agreement with the P. & O. Steam Navipines, the increased margin between the gation Company for the use of the wharves prices of Raw and Refined Sugars may en- and godowns by their mail steamers and able the Company in the near future to extra Bombay boats, for a period of 10 the above naughty remarks; but un- resume its place among the dividend-paying years at tariff rates. As part of the conditions of this agreement the Company pur-In the month of October last, the Com- chased the properties belonging to the P. & works to permit of the stocks being reduced. tablishment it was not considered advisable.

has now been resumed and it is hoped that influence of the proposed Reclamation Scheme, increased in value, and negotiations The Cube Sugar manufactured by the are now pending for the sale of this proper.

for the Spanish market, for which it was Directors .- In accordance with the Artichiefly intended, the General Agenta, with cles of Association Messrs F. Dodwell and now machine which they are assured will Auditors .- The Directors appointed produce the kind of cube much in demand Mesers G. S. Coxon and T. I. Rose audibe a slight disadvantage if the object in Rose, audited the accounts now presented. view in providing the additional machinery Messrs G. S. Coxon and T. I. Rose are recommended for re-election. J. BELL-Inving, Chairman.

> loon Property of Association Sub-Section II \$875,000.00

Sub-Section III **\$50,000.00** Sub-Section IV \$14,000.00 Sub-Section V \$19,000.00

, Amount expended on Extension of Godown and Rolling Stock required for third Wharf and new Godowns. Amount expended on building of third Wharf and on

Extension of two original Wharves Duty Legal Expenses transfer of properties

-81,104,109,38 Kowloon P. & O. Property :--Amount paid P. & O. Company for Kowtoon Marine Lot No. 214 Stamp Duty, Legal Expenses and fees for transfer of pro-

West Point Property :-Value of West Point Property as per Articles of Association Sub-Section \$600,000.00 Less amount received for sale of Godowns Cash \$125,000 8,795.33 Mortgage 375,000 .. Stamp Duty.

Legal Expenses, fees for transfer of property and Brokerage on sales, &c., ... 8,295.92 West Point P. & O. Property: Amount paid P. & O. Com-

pany, for Wharf and buildings on Mar. Lot No. 71 300,000,00 Stamp Duty, Legal Expenses. fees for transfer of property &c. 13,527.62

Mortgage Account, Balance of sale price of West Point Property under Mortgage 375,000,00 Coal for Launches, value of coal on hand Forniture and Stores Ac-

,, Preliminary Expenses .

.. Sundry Debtors

.. Cash in hand

\$2,025,570.05 Liabilities. By Capital paid up 17,000

share @ \$100 By Sundry Creditors By Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation By Balance of Working Account \$76,429,84 \$2,025,570,08

WORKING ACCOUNT. -- FOR YEAR ENDED S152 DECEMBER, 1887. and native staff, and coolie hire, \$45,802.86 To Crown Rent and Taxes. To Charges Account, Office Rent.

Stationery, Printing; To Expenses of Steam-Launches. To Fire Insurance. To Rent of West Point Godowns for 6/ms. to 31st December, 1897 a \$3,000 per month (paying to purchasers)\$18,000 00 Less Interest on portion of sale.

price under mortgage \$375,000 a per cent. per annum. 3.811,250.00 Interest on Cash portion: of Do. \$125,000

By Wharfage, Warehouse, Rent and Landing Expenses, \$147,886.94 By Lighterage Account. By Rent of Property leased at Kowloon, By Commission on Kerosene By Survey Certificate. 10.00 policy will make the most of the disadvan. By Gain on resale of 'Wandering Minstrel,"

\$154,973.28 ISAAC HUCHES, Betretary. mined the Books and Vouonny, and sertify that the L. Ross, Auditors. or J. Coxox. march, 1888.

OPPOSITION BY THE DUTCH TO THE N. I. S. N. COMPANY. A Reuter's tolegrain in the Batavia nowspapers states that a Ministerial Bill has been introduced into the Second Chamber of the Sintes General for a contract for 15

cars beginning with 1891 for a mail-service

in the Dutch East Indies. The contractors

are Mesars Boissevain, Ruys and Tegelberg.

It is to be a purely Dutch Company. The

subsidy averages 6.15 floring per league. The Straits Times commonting on this says :-- The telegraphic announcement of legislative measures being taken in Holland to transfer the contract now held by the Netherlands India Steam Navigation Company to the hands of a purely Dutch syndicate, marks an important change of front on the part of the Home Government of Holland. The carriage of mails between Singapore and Java, and the islands of the Notherlands India Archipelago, has been conducted under a contract which runs out in 1891, by the said company. The latter may have laid itself open to charges of monopoly and exclusive dealing, but has confessedly managed the service efficiently. The fact, however, of its being a British concern, has proved a rock of offence to many patriotic Netherlanders. They would much rather see the mail service in the hands of their own countrymen. Such feelings are natural and unobjectionable, when expression is given to them openly and aboveboard. But underhand means to carry them out cannot but arouse dissatisfaction and resentment. The Datch Government has struck into this very line of policy. It has hitherto held fast to the system of calling for tenders, whenever possible. Only a year ago, tenders were invited for this very. mail service. Yet now, this principle has been departed from, and parliamentary action substituted. The reasons for resort. ing to tenders remein as strong as eve and it is strange indeed, that in such an important matter, the contract should be sdjudged without submitting it to that free competition which has been oustomary in such cases. The interests of Netherlands India call for the freest competition going in the matter, to secure a contract on the cheapest terms. The absence of competition inevitably keeps the subsidy at a high figure. This is actually the case with the now syndicate. The amount to be granted them aggregates double of that enjoyed by the N. I. S. N. Company, notwithstanding the fall in prices which pleads strongly for a lower subsidy. This has been done with the knowledge that the N. L. S. N. Company would tender at lower rates than it new charges. The syndicate will gain heavily at the expense of the overburdened taxpayers. The subsidy being fixed in accordance with the number and length of the services, the burden will become greater with the extension of the lines to New Guinea, which the Dutch Government intends to sanction shortly. This departure from an established line of policy, and these sacrifices required from the taxpayers of Notherlands India, are justified on the ground that it is for the advantage of Holland to have the service carried out by a national company, composed of Dutch shareholders and running yessels built at Dutch shipyards. But this hope has scant prospect of becoming realised Should the business prove profitable, no law can prevent British subjects becoming shareholders or advancing capital to the syndicate there by controlling its operations. The syndicate will, at the outset, be hampered by difficulties inseparable from a pioneer enterprise. The N. L. S. N. Company, which has thirty steamers, well equipped, now running does not mean to yield to its rival. It will run steamers in opposition, and push the syndicate hard. A British line of steamers between Holland and Java. equipped with the most modern improvements and making rapid passages, has also

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done to the N. I. S. N. Company.

fair chance of doing a profitable business.

We hope that public opinion in Holland

will be strong enough to see that justice be

Calcutta, Feb. 9th. The momorial of the Bonders of Sult for the equalization of the enhanced duty on sait bonded and on board ships has been rejected by the Government. The Police at Benares have captured a Bengalee engraver having in his possession forged five rupse notes to the extent of Rs. 1,400, and he has usmed three of his accomplices, two of whom have been arrest. ed at Andool, a suburb of Howrah, where

the gang of forgers had their home. Affairs at Indore under the new Holkar are reported to be highly unastisfactory, and the scandal which the personal habits of Holkar and his absolute neglect of State duties will ere long necessitate the active interference of the Government.

LORD DUFFERIN'S RESIGNATION. Bombay, 10th February. The Times of India says it is clear from the ample notice given of his resignation that Lord Dufferin has had no differences with the Home Government, and it is safe to assume he is anxious to be relieved of office a mply and solely because the strain has been almost unbearably heavy. In its internal affairs India under Lord Dufferin has had peace and rest, and his three years rule has been a period of legislative inaction. He found India seething under the excitement foster. ed by Lord Ripon, and Lord Dufferin knew how to pour oil on the troubled waters until the bitter race antagonism that narked the beginning of his regime has now completely disappeared. While Lord Ripon had been remitting taxation and reducing the army and in the name of philanthropy setting all India by the cars. the Russians had stealthily approached the Afghan frontier. Lord Dufferin had at once to stop their further approach. win the confidence of the Ameer. increase the strength and value of the Army and to carry out a regular system of frontier defence. This portion of the ask has been successfully accomplished. and his Indian career may be epitomised in the names of Penjdeh and Burma. Five years is a term all too short for a Viceroy who, having undertaken large and difficult measures, looks for fruition and practical justification of them before he leaves the scene of his labours. There is some danger lest in limiting his period of service to four years Lord Dufferin should do himself innatice. He has had to submit to not less then the usual amount of criticism, for he has had to face at least the usual sum of difficulties. The most effective answer a statesman can give to those who arraign his policy is to point to the practical success of his measures. Lord Dufferin might be much more able to do this in December 1889 than December 1888, and we are

METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER. AT 4 P.M. TO-DAY,

afraid the hostile commentators on his

tage under which he places himself, by an-

ticipating the usual time of his retirement.

Befometer 29.98 Humidity 86 Direction of Wind Force 3

Hongkong Observatory, March 3, 1888.

THE HUMOROUS FLY-A FABLE. 'Oh, mother,' said a little fly, Pray, is not that a fish? To play a little joke on him Is what I greatly wish.

Along the surface of the pool With noisy buzz I'll skim, And when he rises off I'll fly, And get the laugh on him.

(HE TRIED IT. The childless mother sadly tried, Her sorrow to forget, And at that funny little joke That fish is smiling yet. MORAL - Don't be too fuuny. - Life.

CUPID'S DECADENCE. In ancient days, when all was young, And love and hope were rife, Dan Cupid fed on rustic fare, And fived a country life.

He rose betimes at break of day, And round the country harried Upstirring hearts that were unwed; And soothing down the married.

But then, on wider mischief bent, He hied him to the city : And finding much to suit his taste, He stayed there -more's the pity.

Men built him there a golden house, Bedight with golden stars; They feasted him on golden grain, And wine in golden jars,

They draped his pretty nakedness In richest cloth of gold, And set him up in bu iness, Where love was bought and sold.

And thus he led a city life, Forgetting his nutivity : Since then he's gone from bad to worse, From Capid to capidity. ELLIOT STOCK. -Academy.

A LAY OF LONDON.

Gay were the streets of London and gay the passing throng

tripped along, A maiden from the country with cheeks of sunburnt brown 'And singing, 'Oh, 'tis bonnie, I love the busy town.

She came from perfumed meadows, where the stage. I thought of this myself. sweetest flowers grew. -Where the air is pure and soothing and the

sky is always blue: From woodlands where the music of the songbird wakes the spheres And God sends down his sunshine to kiss away all tears.

She came to cruel London to see its thousand sights— Ah I me, for moths that flutter to those alluring lights---

She left her gray-haired parents with many a tear and frown. But singing, . Oh, 'tis bonnie, I love the busy town.'

The months roll on. A woman I see among 'Tis night and through the darkness she slowly creeps along. My God I that form familiar, that altered

face I know! 'Tis she who left the country a few short menths ago.

Where is the lightsome footstep, the charm of girlhood's grace And the eyes that then shone brightly like twin stars out of place? Where are the lips once ruddy, the checks

of subburnt brown? And that voice that sang 'Tis bonnie. love the busy town?

O, city of dread shadows, God help the helpless there: God help them in their thousands, besoiled and trampled down, Who once sang 'Oh I 'tis bonnie, I love

the busy town.' -Arkansaw Traveler.

JUVENILE PRECOCITY. A lady asked one of the children in her

Sunday-school class, 'What was the sin of the Pharisees?' 'Eating cameis, ma'am; was the reply. The little girl had read that the Pharisees strained at gnate and swallowed camels.' In what condition was the patriarch Job at the end of his lie? questioned a teacher of the stolid-looking boy at the foot of the class. 'Dead,' was the quiet response. What is the outward and visible sign in baptism?' asked a lady of her Sunday-school class. There was silence for some seconds, and then a girl broke in triumphantly with. The baby. please, ma'am.' Do you know, mamma, I don't believe Solomon was so rich after all,' observed a sharp boy to his mother. who prided herself on her orthodoxy. 'My child ' she exclaimed in pious horror. what does the Bible say?' 'That's just it. he answered. 'It says that "Solomon slept with his fathers." Now, surely, if he had been rich he'd have had a bed to himself.' A teacher, in trying to explain to in a young ladies' seminary, in which 332 some advantage might happen to him in her scholars the meaning of repentance. used this illustration: 'Suppose a bad boy were to steal an orange, and his good mother should catch him with it, and take him by the hand gently and tell him how wicked it is, and how very grieved she was; don't you think, now, that the little boy ought to feel sorry ? One of the scholars eagerly | bridge of the second fiddler's nose precedes replied, 'Yes, mum' And why, Marma-"Cause." Because why, Maridaduke! Because he hadn't et the orange ful sight. A defiant note from the B flat genuine and honest, and often cured when Yokohama and Honolulu, on WEDNES. befor his ma cotch him and tuck it away cornet, indorsed on the back by the bass everything else had failed. He bought a DAY, the 14th March, at 3 p.m. from him!

Did any of you ever see an elephant's skin I asked the master of an infant school 'I have, shouted a six-year-old at the foot of the class. 'Where?' 'On the elephant, sir.

Essay on the Horse. The horse is useful creacher. It eats corn, it is a sort of square animal with a leg at each corner and has a head at one end and a tale at the

The examiners forgave the little chap. He looked innocent. They thought his mind had been perhaps wandering—that he had been thinking about his hobbyhorse.

The following is a sample of a young

historian's acumen : 'In 1839 the English had to stop the advance of Russia in India. and Suraja Dowla was made governor. In 1846 confusion again broke out, but the English government went out and stopped it. This led to the appointment of a secretary of state. It consisted of fifteen persons. Mathematicians will be surprised to learn that 'a circle is a figure contained by a straight line. Students of geography may not know that the Nile is the only remarkable river in the world. It was discovered by Dr Livingstone, and rises in Mungo Park. Home influences appeared in the answer of a child, whose father was a strong testotaler, to the query. Da you know the meaning of syntax ! Yes, was the ready reply; syntax is the dooty upoh

I have just returned from a private reheartal of a new operatta, of which I am the author, and hasten to write a fair, honest criticism of it for the press. In this criticism I shall try to be perfectly frank, to mention any defects, and yet I shall try to avoid hurting the author's feelings. want to score the operatta with a merciless hand, and yet I do not wish to give myself

needless pain. The operation itself is called 'The Singed Cat, because it is really so much better than it seems to be. The music was composed partly by myself and partly by a count who plays on the forry-boats in summer, and has his winters to himself. He does not wish to have his name used, bocause, as he says, he is afraid that foreign powers will get on to it, and make him come back to attend to the count business egain.' He says it is very disagreeable to be a count and live on a long, slim pedigree and what the neighbors bring in from time to time. The orchestra opens the performance with

a selection from the 'Flying Dutchman.' Difficult as it may appear, the orchestra makes a good selection from this gentleman, and it is played wellafter everything is ready. It takes some little time for an orchestra to get ready, however. The man who bites off the first joint of the clarionat breathes a liquid note, the first violin sounds ' A," and the gentleman with the baseen looks up into its dark recesses to see if any cayenne or kittens have been deposited there since be played last. The superintendent of the large violin stands it up on end and feels if it's staccato. He then chalks his how and the leader whispers in a low voice to the man who salivates the cornet. The snaredrum soloist gots his assortment of drums into a semi-circle, hangs his triangle where he can get it, runs his eye over the xylophone, sleigh bells, bird call, picket fonce, bones, castanet, cymbals, Swiss bells and fortissimo. The leader writes his autograph in the atmosphere with his stick-and the band goes into committee of the whole with a wild snort. A difficult piece then follows. Some of the audience are heard to state

t'at they wish it had been so difficult that the orchestra could not have played it. The cortain now rises, and a primary school of over eight hundred pupils is seen passing in review across the stage, singing As on the crowded payement a young girl a song of forty-nine verses, meantime going through a system of calisthenics. In making one-night stands with 'The Singed Cat,' most any primary school will do with a few rehearsals for this chorus. Got these children secured in advance; all their parents

will come to see how the children look on A Seautiful soprano now comes on, accompanied by her voice, and wonders where Folix is. She decides to sing a small song while waiting for him. The song is an arpoggio with diatonic scales on it. It begins low and fluttering, like the cry of a wound- this town some time ago, and being picked ed clay pigeon, and gradually soars upward, up, as he continued perfectly helpless, and like the price of coal, and ends with some taken in a cab by two gentlemen to the

the upper register. and becomes more irritated because Felix was afflicted with what seemed to be an did not get there at the time he said he incurable disease. When he was able to would, she starts in on the second added speak he said he had been to his dinner line below, and with a crescende and vox and was on his way back to his work, when populi that starts the gathers in her now suddenly his head was in a whirl and he dress and makes the man in the box office fell in the street like a man who is knockturn pale, she attains her greatest altitude, ed down. On coming to his senses in the while the head fiddler becomes so excited solicitor's office he thought what this might that he plays mostly on the bridge of his mean, and feared he was going to have a instrument or the coat sleeve of the man fit of iliness, which we all know is a yery who sits next to him.

The prima donna of 'The Singed Cat' has a pleasant voice full of timbre, and fine dante. Mr Riley, who has heard her, says how he had been attacked. They questionthat when she pulls out the last joint on ed him, and found that his present maher crescondo and opens her upper regist r, lady was exhaustion of the nervous system BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA, her mouth looks not unlike a stab in the resulting from general debility, indigestion, dark. She sings with the whole arm move- and dyspepsia of a chronic nature. This in ment, and her action is good as she goes by turn had been caused by confinement to the judges' stand. She has a selection in his desk and grief at the loss of dear friends the second not called Back to Our by death. The coming on of this strange ritard in which she einits a chest note be of interest both to sick and well. He Oh, cruel, busy London, oh, vortex of which tests the acquatics of the hall, that had noticed for several years previously, in lineband being deceased. He was listening that most painful and troublesome ailment share places. to the song of a buzzsaw near Stillwater, -the piles. He says there was some pain Minnesota, in '75, and got an idea that the in the sides and back and a sense of fulsaw had something confidential to com- ness on the right side, as though the liver municate and desired to take him apart for were enlarging, which proved to be the fer- principal places of Europe. that purpose. Anyway, he was in that rible fact. The secretions from the kidcondition when they found him. For that neys would be scanty and high-coloured; reason her music is frequent y tearful and with a kind of gritty or sandy deposit after often solfeggio in spots. Her repertoire is standing. and I hate to do that, is that she slightly he clearly perceived that the fit of giddie the Agency's Office.) ruptured her voice by trying several years ness was nothing more than a sign of the

draw two salaries. When the applause has died away Felix His story of how he went from one physi- Company's Office. comes in with a baritone voice and cian to another in search of a cure that his diminished triad. He thinks of the first wife and little ones might not come to want verse while the piccolo makes a few is very pathetic and touching, Finally he desultory remarks, and then he explains became too ill to keep his situation and had how he could not get there when he agreed to give it up. This was a sad calamity. to because the jury disagreed, or something He was appalled to think how he should be of that kind. He swallows an imaginary able to live. But God raised up friends clam with a shell on it, and begins in a who helped to keep the wolf from the door, low, passe roundelay, which develops into He then went to the seaside at Walton-ona duodecimo run. He is accompanied by a the Naze, but neither the change, nor the

red moustache over the main entrance. young women are noticed uttering a num- the metropolis. This was in October, ber of shrill appeals for help by the light 1885. of the fire fiend. The music here is an head violinst, partially over the bridge of pect it. his instrument and partially across the snaredrum and ophecleide. It is a beautibass dry ushers in Vassar College Hook nary at night he dresses himself and goes | tive Syrup until it ended in completely curto it. He finds the janitor and sends up ing him. his card to one of the frightened students, In speaking of his wonderful recovery Mr and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be asking her if he may have the pleasure of Richold says it made him think of poor obtained on application. rescuing her from the fire fiend. If he comes Robinson Crusoe, and his deliverance from well recommended she tells the janitor to captivity on his island in the sea; and

tenderly conveys her into the adjoining markable case, as Mr Richold (now residing county, where her parents live on a farm. This is a good part of the operate mak limit to one of the oldest and most respectling it spectacular and yet respect to the collection of the oldest and most respect to the company's Offices, addressed to the information as must, indeed, he a creature to the collection of the oldest and most respect to company's Offices, addressed to must, indeed, he a creature to the oldest and most respect to company's Offices, addressed to must, indeed, he a creature to the oldest and most respect to company's Offices, addressed to must, indeed, he a creature to the oldest and most respect to the oldest and most respect.

Suffell, and his personal character to find the oldest and most respect. the finer instincts of our done race who will not re of beautiful girls rest seminary at night. How like it is then a militia con ful youen who came on the

BILL NYE'S OPERETTA.

brief address as parliamentary rules will allow, and after making a few terse remarks with both feet go away. The Singed Cat introduces a primary school, a seminary, and entre nous Babcock Fire Company and a barrel of rain water. It contains everything ennobling, with the exception of a plot. The scene is laid in this country, and be-

tween the two acts, while the girls in the seminary are getting ready for the midnight holocaust, there will be twenty minutes of refitted ventriloguism. Even should the operetta and the chaste music fail to accomplish any good, I feel that no one can isten to this ventriloquism for twenty minutes and not go away a better man. have rausecked Europe for a man who can throw his voice farther without cracking i than any other man. We have secured of ventriloquist who can conceal his voice un der an ales and then suddenly take it out of an escritoire near by. This man will imitate also the hoarse accents of a booksaw meandering through a basswood plank in a way that will certainly giv all huma-

> The idea of introducing ventriloquism in to American opera is original with me. hink that the opera should be made to teach us semothing, and to give as something to look back to and think about. The ventrilequist who can split his voice up into a dialogue between a German gentleman down in the root cellar and an Irish party upon the haymow, has it in his power to lead humanity out of the sordid channels of trade, and by onlarging our horizon, really give us more for our money than we have ever had

> 'The Singed Cut' will be produced the Polo Grounds early in January. Lot there be a full house.

AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY is announced in the Paris Figaro, of a valuable remedy for nervous debility, physical exhaustion, and premature decay. The discovery was made by a missionary in Old Mexico; it saved him from a miserable existence amp an early grave. We learn that the Rev. Joseph Holmes, Boomsbury Mansions Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C., wil send the prescription, free of charge, on receipt of a self addressed stamped enve-

A REMARKABLE CASE. Under the above heading the Doncaster

Reporter of July 6th, 1887, publishes the following in its editorial columns-Our readers may recall the circumstance of a young clerk, named Arthur Richold falling insensible on the Wheatley Lane in artistic gargling which suggests a warble in office of T. W. Fisher, Esq., the solicitor who employed him. On restoring him to As she gots more confidence in herself consciousness it was ascertained that he dreadful thing for a poor man with a family to care for.

With this in his mind he at once sought allegro movement, bordering on the an- the best medical advice, telling the dectors Mountains,' in which she starts off with a disease, as described by Mr Richold, must

ago to sing a duet with herself and thus steady and deadly advance of the complaint, quired. which began in indigestion and dyspepsia. running mate, consisting of a flute with a physicians who treated him there, did any good. All being without avail he visited Scene second represents a midnight fire London, with a sort of vague hope that

How wonderful, indeed, are the ways of adaptation of 'Sonnamubla Satanica' or Providence, which dashes down our highest the 'Devil's Dream.' Quick fiddling by the hopes and then helps us when we least ex-

While in London he stated his condition to a friend, who strongly advised him to a general panic on the part of the basoon, try a medicine which he called Mother TIHE Steamship GAELIC will be Seigel's Curative Syrup, saying it was tuba and a long, colicky mean from the bottle of a chemist in Pimlico, and began Connection being made at Yokohania, using it according to the directions. He with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan and Ladder Company No. 1, consisting of did this without faith or hope, and the ports. a fire organization numbering over one public may, therefore, judge of his surprise All Parcel Packages should be marked to hundred and fifty members, banded to and pleasure when after taking a few doses address in full; and same will be received gether for the purpose of rescuing beautiful he felt great relief. He could eat better; at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the 10.30*, 12.30 p.m. 11.00 , wook. but frightened girls from burning semina- his food distressed him less; the symptoms ries at a moment's notice. Each fireman we have named abated; the dark spots wears a lawn-tennis shirt with full-dress which had floated before his eyes like smuts pantaloons and patent leather pumps. He of soot, gradually disappeared, and his carries a Babcock fire extinguisher bound strength increased. Before this time his in Russian leather and small hand-bag con- knees would knock together whenever he taining a package of visiting cards. When tried to walk. So encouraged was he now a fire breaks out in a young ladies' semi- that he kept on using Mother Seigel's Cura-

show him up. She then festoons herself added. But for Mother Seigel's Curative over his shoulder in her simple white gown, Syrup the grass would now be growing over with Velenciennes lace around the throat, my grave.

and her warm tears of gratitude trickle Our readers can rest assured of the strick down and tickle the back of his neck as he truth of all the statements in this most reby so high an authority as the Martyn, rector of that parish, tother excellent paines. We have the case of such importance to the as to justify us in giving this short of it in our columns,

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she is tickled to go back to her mountains, fact, that his eyes and face began to have N WEDNESDAY, the 7th March, such as they are and is pleased with the a yellow look; there was a sticky and un. 1888, at Noon, the Company's S.S. not to be sent on board; they must be altitude. She has assisted in 'The Dam- pleasant slime on the gums and teeth in SAGHALIEN, Commandant Flasoni, left at the Agency's Office). Contents and nation of Faust, but otherwise her conduct | the morning; the tougue coated; and the | with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, | Value of Packages are required. has been good. She is a widow, her bowels so bound and costive that it induced and OARGO, will leave this Port for the

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